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FM AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

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DEPT. PASS HAROLD BUTLER, ALBUQUERQUE SEISMOLOGICAL
LABORATORY, US GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, ALBUQUERQUE

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: TGEN, IN, US

SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT FOR GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

TRAINING PROGRAM: DR. NAG'S TRAVEL TO THE US

REFS: (A) STATE 113576; (B) NEW DELHI 5576; (C) STATE 087335;
(D) STATE A-6865; (E) NEW DELHI 6688; (F) NEW DELHI 7070;
(G) MAY 29 HAROLD BUTLER TELCON TO DUTT FROM ALBUQUERQUE

1. WE ARE SURPRISED TO HEAR FROM YOU THAT YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED
OUR CABLES (E) AND (F) IN RESPONSE TO YOUR CABLE(D).

2. AS WE EXPLAINED IN REFTEL (E) THE EMBASSY COULD NEITHER GIVE
TRAVEL ADVANCE NOR PURCHASE AIRLINE TICKET FOR NAG UNTIL THE
INDIAN METEOROLOGICAL DEPARTMENT HAD INTIMATED TO US THE GOI
APPROVAL FOR HIS VISIT. THIS WAS FURNISHED ONLY ON MAY 28
WHEREUPON THE EMBASSY INITIATED ACTION TO GET NAG THE AIRLINE
TICKET. THIS INVOLVES GOI RESERVE BANK OF INDIA APPROVAL
WHICH THE AIRLINE HOPES TO GET BY THIS EVENING TO ENABLE NAG
TO CATCH HIS FLIGHT IN THE EARLY HOURS OF MAY 30.

3. WHEN EMBASSY SUGGESTED TO NAG THAT HE COLLECTS HIS
TRAVEL ADVANCE HERE HE SAID THERE WAS NOT ENOUGH TIME TO
PROCESS GOI CLEARANCES NECESSARY BEFORE AN INDIAN NATIONAL CAN
TAKE A FOREIGN CURRENCY CHECK OUT OF THE COUNTRY. HE THEREFORE
PREFERRED TO COLLECT THE CHECK AT ALBUQUERQUE. MEANWHILE, NAG
HAS ARRANGED SOME FOREIGN EXCHANGE TO SEE HIM THROUGH HIS JOURNEY TO
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ALBUQUERQUE.

4. AS REQUESTED IN REFTELS E AND F, PLEASE SEND ASAP AMENDMENT TO NAG'S EARLIER TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION SO IT COVERS THE SHILLONG-CALCUTTA-DELHI-ALBUQUERQUE ROUTE. NAG CAN THEN BE REIMBURSED FOR THE SHILLONG-CALCUTTA-DELHI AIRTICKET HE HAD TO PURCHASE.

5. NAG PLANS TO DEPART NEW DELHI 0600 MAY 30 VIA PANAM 2 AND ARRIVE ALBUQUERQUE 1420 MAY 31 VIA CO-90.SCHNEIDER

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